

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of assembling and monitoring an acoustic honeycomb panel comprising a double resonator, the panel-(10) consisting of a plurality of layers-(20, 30, 40, 50 and 60) to be assembled in the direction of the thickness of the panel (10), namely: an acoustic skin-(20), a primary honeycomb-(30), a septum-(40) pierced with a plurality of holes-(42), a secondary honeycomb-(50) and a solid skin-(60), the method including preliminary operations of gluing the various layers-(20, 30, 40, 50 and 60) to be assembled, characterized in that:

- in a first step, the two honeycombs-(30, 50) are assembled with the septum-(40) by gluing, the subassembly thus obtained being referenced-(12), the holes-(42) in the septum-(40) which are still free being referenced-(42b);
- subsequent to the assembly of the two honeycombs-(30, 50) with the septum-(40) and prior to the assembly of at least one of the two skins-(20, 60), at least one of the honeycombs-(30, 50) thus being uncovered, the degree of perforation of the septum (42) is monitored by scanning the subassembly-(12) with a digital camera-(84) including an associated illumination system-(88, 96), the camera-(84) being arranged on the same side as an uncovered honeycomb-(30, 50), the camera-(84) thus taking shots of the septum-(40) at the bottom of the cells of the uncovered honeycomb-(30, 50), this illumination system-(88, 96) illuminating the region of the septum-(40) observed by the camera-(84), the successive images-(92) thus obtained being transmitted to a computer-(94), the computer-(94) analyzing the images-(92) and establishing the degree of perforation T of the septum-(40) by applying the formula

$T = N1/N$, in which $N1$ is the number of pixels-(100) corresponding to the free holes (42b)-and N is the number of pixels of the image-(92).

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the septum-(40) is monitored prior to the assembly of the two skins-(20, 60) and in that the illumination system-(88, 96) is a diascopic illumination system-(96).

3. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the illumination system-(88, 96) is an episcopic illumination system-(88).

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that on the images-(92) the computer-(94) delimits, inside each cell, the area-(76) of the septum (40)-not covered by the adhesive-(70), this computer-(94) searching the pixels-(100) corresponding to the free holes (42b)-solely within these areas-(76).

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~, characterized in that the resolution of the camera-(84) and the enlargement ratio of the images-(92) is suitable for each hole-(42a) in the septum-(40) to cover at least 30 pixels-(100).

6. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~, characterized in that the resolution of the camera-(84) and the enlargement ratio of the images-(92) is suitable for each hole-(42a) in the septum-(40) to cover at least 75 pixels-(100).

7. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~, characterized in that it is interrupted when the monitoring operation on the assembled

septum-(40) shows that it is defective.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~, characterized in that the solid skin-(60) is produced and glued on the secondary honeycomb (50) in a single operation.

9. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~, characterized in that, prior to the assembly of the septum-(40) with at least one of the honeycombs-(30, 50), the degree of perforation T of the bare septum-(40) is monitored by scanning the septum (40) with a digital camera-(84) including an associated illumination system-(88, 96), this illumination system-(88, 96) illuminating the region of the septum-(40) observed by the camera-(84), the successive images-(92) thus obtained being transmitted to a computer-(94), the computer establishing the degree of perforation T by applying the formula $T = N1/N$, in which N1 is the number of pixels-(100) corresponding to the holes 42 and N is the number of pixels of the image-(92).

10. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the assembly of the panel-(10) is interrupted when the monitoring operation on the bare septum-(40) shows that this septum-(40) is defective.

11. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 9 ~~claim 9 or 10~~, characterized in that the resolution of the camera (84) and the enlargement ratio of the images (92) is suitable for each hole-(42a) in the septum-(40) to cover at least 30 pixels-(100).

12. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 9 ~~any one of claims 9 to 11~~, characterized in that the resolution of the camera ~~(84)~~ and the enlargement ratio of the images ~~(92)~~ is suitable for each hole ~~(42a)~~ in the septum ~~(40)~~ to cover at least 75 pixels ~~(100)~~.